

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A method of generating an electronic report from a list view displaying data objects that each comprise a plurality of fields and corresponding attributes for the fields, the method comprising:

providing, in a first application, a list view of data objects, the list view displaying an object field and an attribute for at least one of the data objects;

receiving a user selection of at least one object field;

generating an output file that an external reporting application can use to generate a tabulated report, the tabulated report to include the attributes corresponding to the selected at least one object field; and

launching, after generating the output file, the external reporting application and generating the tabulated report using the launched external reporting application, the tabulated report comprising the attributes corresponding to the selected at least one object field.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising receiving a user selection of the external reporting application.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the user selection of the external reporting application is selected from the group consisting of Microsoft® Excel and HTML.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising displaying a view of the list view and wherein the tabulated report is triggered from the view of the list view.

5. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the data objects for the list view are retrieved from a database according to a search feature prior to displaying the view of the list view.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the output file includes the selected at least one object field and the corresponding attributes.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the output file is an ActiveX Data Object Recordset.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein generating the output file that the external reporting application can use to generate the tabulated report further comprises transferring the output file to a reporting-tool-specific interface component capable of plug-and-play interaction with the external reporting application.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the launched external reporting application generates the tabulated report.

10. (Previously presented) Computer-readable medium with program instructions stored thereon that when executed perform the following functions to generate an electronic report from a computer user interface list view displaying data objects that each comprise fields and corresponding attributes for the fields:

provides, in a first application, a list view of data objects, the list view displaying an object field and an attribute for at least one of the data objects;

receives a user selection of at least one object field;

generates an output file that an external reporting application can use to generate a tabulated report, the tabulated report to include the attributes corresponding to the selected at least one object field; and

launches, after generating the output file, the external reporting application and generates the tabulated report using the launched external reporting application, the tabulated report comprising the attributes corresponding to the selected at least one object field.

11. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 10 wherein the program instructions when executed further performs the function of receiving a user selection of the external reporting application.

12. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11 wherein the user selection of the external reporting application is selected from the group consisting of Microsoft® Excel and HTML.

13. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 10 wherein:  
the program instructions when executed further performs the function of displaying a view of the list view; and  
the tabulated report is triggered from the view of the list view.

14. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 13 wherein the data objects for the list view are retrieved from a database according to a search feature prior to displaying the view of the list view.

15. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 10 wherein the output file includes the selected at least one object field and the corresponding attributes.

16. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 10 wherein the output file is an ActiveX Data Object Recordset.

17. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 10 wherein generating the output file that the external reporting application can use to generate the tabulated report further comprises transferring the output file to a reporting-tool-specific interface component capable of plug-and-play interaction with the external reporting application.

18. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 10 wherein the launched external reporting application generates the tabulated report.

19. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein providing the list view of data objects comprises displaying at least a portion of the data objects in a table.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the user selection of the at least one object field comprises displaying a selection dialog box that includes the at least one object field and receiving a user selection of the at least one object field from the selection dialog box.

21. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the user selection of the at least one object field comprises receiving an indication of a user selection of the object field in the list view.

22. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 10, wherein providing the list view of data objects comprises displaying at least a portion of the data objects in a table.

23. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 10, wherein receiving the user selection of the at least one object field comprises displaying a selection dialog box that includes the at least one object field and receiving a user selection of the at least one object field from the selection dialog box.

24. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 10, wherein receiving the user selection of the at least one object field comprises receiving an indication of a user selection of the object field in the list view.

25. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the list view of data objects displays a plurality of object fields and attributes for at least one of the data objects, and the received user selection of at least one object field represents a subset of the plurality of object fields.

26. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 10, wherein the list view of data objects displays a plurality of object fields and attributes for at least one of the data objects, and the received user selection of at least one object field represents a subset of the plurality of object fields.